

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Industry Trade Advisory Committee on Automotive Equipment and Capital Goods

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Commerce

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Industry Trade Advisory Committee on Automotive Equipment and Capital Goods

3b. GSA

Committee No.

21404

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

02/14/2018

6. Expected Renewal Date

02/14/2022

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

P.L. 93-618

13. Effective Date

03/27/1975

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports

1

16b. Report Date

09/28/2018

Report Title

Advisory Report on the Trade Agreement with Mexico and Potentially Canada

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 1

17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 10 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 10 Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
To be briefed and provide advice on Administration's Trade Policy Agenda, U.S.-China Trade Relations, Standards and Technical Barriers to Trade (TBTs) in Trade Agreements, North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) Renegotiations, Counterfeiting Impact on Trade, Unfair Foreign Pricing and Foreign Government Subsidies, U.S.-European and U.S.-U.K. Trade Relations, Report on Executive Orders (on Free Trade Agreements Review, on Trade Deficit, on Trade Violations), World Trade Organization (WTO) Trade Facilitation Agreement Update, and the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Auto Dialogue.	10/04/2017	10/04/2017

To be briefed and provide advice on U.S.-China Trade Relations, Standards and Technical Barriers to Trade (TBTs) in Trade Agreements, North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) Renegotiations, Administration's Trade Policy Agenda, U.S.-European and U.S.-U.K. Trade Relations, World Trade Organization (WTO), including Update on Dispute Settlement and the Trade Facilitation Agreement, Trade Enforcement Issues (Steel and Aluminum), and U.S.-Japan Economic Dialogue	01/30/2018 - 01/30/2018
To be briefed and provide advice on U.S.-China Trade Relations, Section 232 - Imports Effecting National Security (Steel and Aluminum), Section 301 Tariffs and U.S.-China Trade, North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), and Korea-US Free Trade Agreement (KORUS)	04/24/2018 - 04/24/2018
To be briefed and provide advice on U.S.-China Trade Relations, Standards and Technical Barriers to Trade in Trade Agreements (ASEAN and APEC Automotive Dialogue), Section 232 - Imports Effecting National Security (Steel and Aluminum), Autos 232, World Trade Organization Dispute Settlement Process, U.S.-EU and U.S.-U.K. Trade Relations, Section 301 Tariffs and U.S.-China Trade, Standards and Technical Barriers to Trade in Trade Agreements (ASEAN, APEC WTO), and Korea-US Free Trade Agreement (KORUS)	07/17/2018 - 07/17/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed on issues in the Trade Agreement with Mexico (NAFTA 2.0 renegotiations). The members then moved into deliberations on the issues discussed in the briefing to begin drafting the Committee's statutory advisory report in accordance with section 105(b)(4) of the Bipartisan Congressional Trade Priorities and Accountability Act of 2015, and section 135(e) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended. The Committee members will include an advisory opinion as to whether, and to what extent, the agreement promotes the economic interests of the United States and achieves the applicable overall and principal negotiating objectives, as well as an advisory opinion as to whether the agreement provides for equity and reciprocity within the sector or functional area.	09/07/2018 - 09/07/2018
The Committee members met to deliberate on the Pre-Decisional Draft Statutory Report on Trade Agreement with Mexico and Potentially Canada. The Report was not finalized and another closed meeting was required.	09/18/2018 - 09/18/2018
The Committee members met to deliberate on a revised Pre-Decisional Draft Statutory Advisory Report on Trade Agreement with Mexico and Potentially Canada. The Report was not adopted out and another closed meeting was required.	09/21/2018 - 09/21/2018
The Committee members met to deliberate a 2nd revised Pre-Decisional Draft Statutory Report on Trade Agreement with Mexico. The Report was not finalized and another closed meeting was required.	09/25/2018 - 09/25/2018
The Committee members met to deliberate a 3rd revised Pre-Decisional Draft Statutory Report on Trade Agreement with Mexico. The draft Report was almost finalized, but one more meeting was needed.	09/27/2018 - 09/27/2018
To deliberate and finalize revisions to the Advisory Report on the Trade Agreement with Mexico and Potentially Canada. The revisions were adopted out of Committee to go forward into the Report to the Secretary of Commerce and the United States Trade Representative.	09/28/2018 - 09/28/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 10

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$41,891.00	\$42,000.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$41,891.00	\$42,000.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.30	0.30

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Committee shall perform such functions and duties and prepare such reports, as may be required by Section 135 of the Trade Act, with respect to the industry trade advisory committees. The Committee advises the Secretary and USTR on trade matters referred to in section 135(a)(1) of the Act, and is consulted regarding the matters referred to in section 135(a)(2) of the Act. The Committee provides detailed policy and technical advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary and USTR regarding trade barriers, negotiation of trade agreements under section 2103 of the Bipartisan Trade Promotion Authority Act of 2002, and implementation of existing trade agreements affecting its sector.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Members shall be selected on a clear, standardized basis, in accordance with applicable Department of Commerce guidance, the principal criterion for selection being ability to carry out the objectives of this Committee as set forth in Section 3 of the Charter. Secondary selection criteria are ensuring that the Committee is balanced in terms of points of view, demographics, geography, and company size.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year is 4-7. The Committee meets quarterly and holds a couple teleconference meetings on fast moving issues.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This committee is essential to carry out the Secretary and USTR's responsibilities under section 135(c)(2) of the 1974 Trade Act, as delegated by E.O. 11846 of March 27, 1975. There is no other Committee that can perform the duties of this Committee.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

The Industry Trade Advisory Committees were established by the Trade Act of 1974 and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). Subsection 135 (f) of the Trade Act provides that the ITACs shall be exempt from the provisions of the FACA relating to open meetings, public notice, public participation, and public availability of documents when it is determined that the proceedings would, if disclosed, seriously compromise the Government's negotiating objectives or bargaining positions regarding trade policy matters. ITAC meetings routinely involve these kinds of discussions. The United States Trade Representative evaluates each meeting agenda and issues a Notice of Determination when it is necessary to close meetings.

21. Remarks

Subcommittees, or their equivalents, are authorized to be formed under the terms of the Committees' charters, which were issued pursuant to Subsection 135 (f) of the Trade Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-618) as amended, and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463). Because subcommittees, or their equivalents, do not report out independently but through the parent Committee, the costs are included under the parent Committee.

Designated Federal Officer

Forrest Nielsen International Trade Specialist

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Ameen, Patrick	09/14/2018	02/14/2022	Amsted Rail Company, Inc.	Representative Member
Burgoon, Mary	03/13/2014	01/04/2018	Rockwell Automation	Representative Member
Dempsey, Linda	07/15/2015	02/14/2018	National Association of Manufacturers	Representative Member
Dick, Spencer	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	TigerStop LLC	Representative Member
Disharoon, John	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Caterpillar Inc.	Representative Member
Eckhart, W. Eugene	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	National Electrical Manufacturers Association	Representative Member
Egan, Thomas	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Packaging Machinery Manufacturers Institute	Representative Member
Gooch, Don	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	CST Industries, Inc.	Representative Member
Heckendorn, Esq., Joseph	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Dana Incorporated	Representative Member
Latin-Kasper, Stephen	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	National Truck Equipment Association	Representative Member
McGibbon, Patrick	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Association for Manufacturing Technology	Representative Member
Merino, Leigh	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association	Representative Member
Mohatarem, G. Mustafa	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	General Motors Corporation	Representative Member
Nassar, Joshua	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Intl. Union, United Automobile, Aerospace & Agriculture Implement Workers of America (UAW)	Representative Member
Nath, Anku	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	John Deere	Representative Member
Ralsky, Michael	02/28/2018	07/16/2018	Consultant, representing Navistar, Inc.	Representative Member
Spencer, Linda	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA)	Representative Member
Uthus, Charles	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	American Automotive Policy Council	Representative Member
Wilk, Lauren	09/14/2018	02/14/2022	The Aluminum Association	Representative Member
Zauflik, George	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Vice President, Compliance and Government, Cardone Industries	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 20

Narrative Description

The Industry Trade Advisory Committee (ITAC) on Automotive Equipment and Capital Goods is comprised of representatives from a broad cross-section of the automotive and capital goods industry sectors and it includes associations and producers of automobiles, trucks, automotive parts, metalworking machinery, construction equipment, electronic industrial apparatus, etc. The oral, and occasional written, advice from the Committee is used to give industry input on policy issues that Commerce is working on.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
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| Improvements to health or safety | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Trust in government | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Major policy changes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Advance in scientific research | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Effective grant making | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Improved service delivery | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Increased customer satisfaction | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Outcome Comments

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Unable to Determine | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Over \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cost Savings Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Cost Savings Comments

NA

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

7

Number of Recommendations Comments

On average 2-3 recommendations are made annually. The total number of recommendations is for the 2014-2018 charter term.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

No measureable calculation. Committee members that give advice to U.S. trade negotiators, typically do not receive feedback from negotiators regarding how their advice has been applied or utilized within the various bi-lateral and multi-lateral trade negotiations.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

No measureable calculation. Committee members that give advice to U.S. trade negotiators, typically do not receive feedback from negotiators regarding how their advice has been applied or utilized within the various bi-lateral and multi-lateral trade negotiations.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Most feedback is rendered orally during meetings; when written advice is sent to the Secretary of Commerce and the USTR, or their designees, it is reviewed by the Secretary's policy staff and tasked to appropriate ITA unit to prepare draft response. Commerce internal procedures require that all responses for Secretarial signature (and/or

joint signature with USTR) go through a formal concurrence process which ensures that the appropriate level Commerce officials are seeing the advice and have a chance for comment. The Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade reviews and clears prior to the Secretary's review and signature, which ensures that ITAC advice is weighed and considered.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

NA

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

N/A